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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Eric C. Erike  
Serial No. : 10/053,144  
Filing Date : May 12, 1999  
For : HIGH STRENGTH AIR BAG  
QUALITY STEEL  
Group Art Unit : 1742  
Examiner : J. Combs  
Attorney Docket No. : TRW(VSSIM) 3971-1

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**PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE**

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby requests a one  
(1) month extension of the period for response to the Office Action  
mailed February 2, 2004. The response date set in the Office Action  
was May 2, 2004. A response is being filed herewith today,

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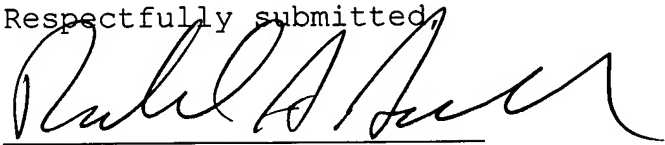
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May 11, 2004, which is within the first month after the response date. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$110.00, which is the fee for a one month extension.

Accordingly, applicant hereby requests that the period for response be extended by one (1) month so that the response filed herewith will be considered timely filed.

Please credit any overpayment or charge any further fees for this document to our Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

Respectfully submitted

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Richard A. Sutkus', written over a horizontal line.

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